

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 1907.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following members answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Canova, Clarke, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Johnson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Willis, Withers, West (4th), Zim—28.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Adams—

Senate Bill No. 422:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2887 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the holding of sessions by the Railroad Commissioners and expenditures by them.

Which was read the first time in full.

And—

Mr. Broome offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 422:

Strike out the words, "\$1,800.00" in line 5 of Section 1, and insert in lieu thereof the following, "\$1,500.00."

Mr. Broome moved the adoption of the amendment. Upon which a yea and nay vote was demanded.

Upon the call of the roll the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alford, Beard, Broome, Canova, Clark, Crane, Crews, Crill, Henderson, Humphries, Johnson, McCreary, Trammell, Willis, West—16.

Nays—Senators Adams, Baker, Cone, Cottrell, Hudson, Jackson, Leggett, Massey, Neel, Sams, Withers, Zim—12.

So the amendment was agreed to and the Secretary ordered to change \$1,800 to \$1,500 in the body of the bill.

The change was made.

Mr. Adams moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 422 be read a second time.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 422 was read a second time in full.

Mr. Adams moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 422 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 422 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Johnson, Leggett, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Withers, West (4th District), Zim—24.

Nays—Senators Canova, Clark, Crill, McCreary, Wills—5.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

By Mr. Neel—

Senate Bill No. 423:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1833 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to indexes to be kept in certain cases.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Neel—

Senate Bill No. 424:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of J. J. Fitzgerald, S. K. Gillis and Daniel Campbell, as trustees.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Neel—

Senate Bill No. 425:

A bill to be entitled an act to cancel all sale certificates in counties where the same have been destroyed by fire.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

Mr. Massey offered the following—

Senate Resolution No. 58:

Resolved, That beginning with Monday, May 20, the Senate will hold, in addition to its morning and afternoon sessions, a night session each night, assembling at 8 o'clock.

Which was read.

Mr. Massey moved the adoption of the resolution.

Upon the adoption of the resolution a yea and nay vote was demanded.

Upon the call of the roll the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Adams, Baker, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Humphries, Jackson, Leggett, Massey, Neel, Trammell, Willis, Withers, West (4th District), Zim—16.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Alford, Beard, Clark, Henderson, Johnson, McCreary, Sams—8.

So the bill was adopted.

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 18, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 538:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing the Town of Perry, Taylor County, Florida, to issue the municipal bonds of the said Town of Perry, Florida, to the amount of fifteen per cent of the assessed valuation of the real and personal value of said property, and to provide the terms and conditions in which said bonds shall be issued.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 538, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Cottrell moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 538 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 538 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Cottrell moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 538 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 538 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Canova, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crill, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Johnson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Sams, Willis, Withers, West (4th District), Zim—26.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 18, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed committee substitute for—

House Bill No. 452:

A bill to be entitled an act relating to and making appropriations for the construction and repair of buildings,

laying out and maintenance of grounds, and for the support and maintenance of State institutions of higher education created and required to be maintained by Chapter 5384 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 5, 1905, known as the University of the State of Florida, the Florida Female College, the Institute for the Blind, Deaf and Dumb, and the Colored Normal School; to provide for the payment of any interest deficit on the three per cent bonds held for the benefit of any of said institutions, under the said act and the Act of Congress of July 2, 1862, and for the payment of any unpaid debts of the institutions abolished or established by the act known as Chapter 5384, approved June 5, 1905, aforesaid, under the provisions thereof.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 452, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Buckman moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 452 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 452 was read a second time in full.

Mr. Buckman moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 452 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Mr. Hudson moved to amend the motion that House Bill No. 452 be made a special order for Tuesday at 10:30 a. m., upon which a ye and nay vote was demanded.

Upon call of the roll the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Adams, Alford, Canova, Clarke, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Hudson, Jackson, Johnson, Leggett, Massey, Trammell, Withers, West (4th District)—16.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Crill, Henderson, Humphries, McCreary, Neel, Sams, Willis, Zim—13.

So the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Hudson in the chair.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. J. B. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 314:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 180 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to Supervisors of Registration.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass with the following amendment.

Very respectfully,

J. B. JOHNSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 314, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Crill, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 279:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the Tax Assessors of Dade, St. Lucie, Osceola, Lee and DeSoto.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass with amendment.

Very respectfully,

E. S. CRILL,

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 279, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Trammell, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 361:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the incorporation of bank and trust companies combined, and to provide the manner of incorporation or creation thereof; to prescribe their powers, duties and liabilities.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

PARK TRAMMELL,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 361, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Park M. Trammell, acting chairman of the Committee on Militia, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Militia, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 173:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 669, 694, 727, 728 and 733 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the organized militia.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

PARK M. TRAMMELL,
Acting Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 173, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Trammell, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 98:

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to banks, banking firms, banking companies or associations doing business in the State of Florida; providing for examinations thereof and providing for compensation for such examination; requiring reports therefrom, and from bank receivers and banks going into voluntary liquidation.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

PARK M. TRAMMELL,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 98, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Sams, chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 17, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to legalize and validate ordinance Number 106 of the town of Tarpon Springs, entitled, "An ordinance to provide for the issuance of bonds of the town of Tarpon Springs, and for the expenditure and disbursement of the funds received from the sale of the said bonds," passed by the Town Council of the town of Tarpon Springs on the 5th day of February, 1907, and approved

on the 6th day of February, 1907, by the Mayor of the town of Tarpon Springs; and to legalize and validate the special election held on the first day of April, 1907, by the qualified electors of the town of Tarpon Springs, who are freeholders of real estate situate within the corporate limits of the said town, under Section 3 of the charter of the town of Tarpon Springs and under Section 8 of said ordinance Number 106; and to legalize and make valid any and all bonds issued or which may hereafter be issued by the town of Tarpon Springs, under said ordinance Number 106 and proceeding and resolution of the Town Council of the said town under said ordinance.

Also—

An act to abolish the municipality of the town of Estero in Lee County.

Also—

An act to establish the municipality of Pablo Beach, to provide for its government, fix its territorial limits and to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

Beg to report that the same has been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

F. W. SAMS.

Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 17, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

A memorial to the Congress of the United States, asking for an appropriation for Holmes River, in Washington County, Florida.

Also—

An act to amend Chapter 5428 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, the same being an act for the preservation of wild otter and beaver, in the State of Florida.

Also—

An act for the protection of deer, wild turkey, quail or

partridges, doves and wild ducks; providing for a hunting season; providing for the appointment of a Game Warden or Wardens, prescribing his duties and powers in the County of Hernando; and prescribing penalty for the violation of the provisions of the same.

Also—

An act authorizing the town of Perry, Taylor County, Florida, to borrow money on note or other obligation, and to provide the method by which loan may be obtained by said town of Perry, Florida, and the terms and conditions of the same, and the method and person by whom note or other obligations may be signed by the said town of Perry, Florida, in order that the said town of Perry may borrow money on the same.

Also—

An act to exempt the property of Young Men's Christian Associations from taxation.

Also—

An act to amend Section 1512 of the General Statutes of Florida, relating to the pay of witnesses.

Also—

An act to provide for State aid for public schools in this State and to prescribe conditions, and to make appropriations therefor.

Beg to report that the same have been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

F. W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 17, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to establish the municipality of South Jackson.

ville; provide for its government; fix the territorial limit, and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

Also—

An act to amend Section 1567 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the powers of Commissioners of other States.

Beg leave to report that the same have been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

F. W. SAMS,

Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 17, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to prescribe the manner in which appropriations of money shall be made by the city of St. Augustine and warrants for the payment of money shall be drawn on the City Treasurer of said city and paid, and to prescribe the manner in which said city shall make its assessment of property therein for taxation and requiring an annual audit and statement of receipts and disbursements of municipal funds in said city.

Also—

A act amending Sections 1, 2, 4, 8, 10, of an act entitled an act extending and enlarging the territorial limits and the powers of the city of Gainesville, a municipal corporation organized and existing in Alachua County, Florida, and providing for the exercise of those powers, the same being Chapter 5497, Laws of Florida, acts of 1905.

Beg leave to report that the same has been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

F. W. SAMS,

Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 17, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to legalize and confirm the incorporation of the town of Cypress, in Jackson County, Florida, and to declare the same a legally incorporated town.

Also—

An act to amend Section 1807 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the time of holding the Circuit Court in the Third Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida.

Also—

An act in relation to gypsy bands and camps and to require the payment of a license tax by such troops or aggregations.

Also—

A memorial to the Congress of the United States asking an appropriation to improve the navigation of the upper St. Johns River between Sanford and Lake Poinsett.

Also—

An act to prohibit the catching or taking of food fish from the waters of Ten Mile Creek and its tributaries, and from the waters of Five Mile Creek and its tributaries, in the County of St. Lucie, and State of Florida, by the use of seines, gill nets, drag nets, haul nets, cast nets, or any other kind of nets or device, except hook and lines, and prescribing a penalty for violation thereof.

Also—

An act to incorporate the town of Vernon, in Washington County, Florida, and provide for the election of its municipal officers.

Beg to report that the same has been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

F. W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 17, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to legalize and validate an ordinance of the City of Apalachicola, Florida, Numbered 149, and entitled, "An ordinance providing for the making, construction and operation of a system of water works, and for the making, construction and operating of a system of sewerage of the City of Apalachicola; providing for the issue of bonds of said City of Apalachicola, for each of said purposes, and providing for a submission of the question of said ordinance, and each question therein contained, to an election of the qualified voters of said city then residing therein and owning real estate therein, and have paid their taxes for the year last due thereon, and providing for the conduct and management of said election, provided for therein," passed by the City Council of the City of Apalachicola, Florida, the 2d day of August, 1905, and approved by the Mayor of the City of Apalachicola, Florida, the 2d day of August, 1905; and to legalize and validate the special election provided for in the said ordinance, in Sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 thereof, and held on the 12th day of September, A. D. 1905, by the qualified voters of the City of Apalachicola, Florida, under the provision of said ordinance; and to legalize and validate all bonds issued by the City of Apalachicola, Florida, under and by virtue of said ordinance, No. 149, and all proceedings, resolutions and ordinances of said City Council of said city, under and in pursuance of the same.

Also—

An act to enable the City of Fernandina, under and in accordance with the provisions of this act, to provide for the paving of any street or part of street in said city; to subject, in every such case, the lots or parcels of land, fronting or abutting on any street or part of street, so

paved, to a lien, in favor of said city, for a specified part of the cost of the work and material; the amount to be estimated and apportioned among such lots, as hereby provided; to authorize the enforcement and collection by said city of the liens, as apportioned, by assessment or otherwise, as provided; to provide for the keeping of the proper records of such liens, and to limit the time within which their validity may be questioned; and to authorize said city to issue paving certificates of indebtedness within certain limits as hereby provided, based upon such liens.

Beg to report that the same have been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

F. W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

BILLS ON TABLE SUBJECT TO CALL.

Mr. Cone called up—

Senate Bill No. 378:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring the State Board of Education to deed to the City of Lake City, Florida, for educational purposes, the lands held for and used by the University of Florida, formerly located at Lake City, and making an appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars to pay to the City of Lake City the amount claimed by the said city under the provisions of Chapter 5384, Laws of Florida.

Which was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Henderson moved that Senate Bill No. 378 be made a special order for 10:30 a. m. Wednesday, and that 200 copies be printed.

Mr. Cone offered a substitute for the motion of Mr. Henderson that Senate Bill No. 378 be laid on the table subject to call, and that 200 copies be printed.

Mr. Buckman moved that the amendment of Mr. Cone be laid on the table.

Which was not agreed to.

The question then recurred upon the amendment of Mr. Cone to Mr. Henderson's motion.

The amendment of Mr. Cone was agreed to.

Mr. Buckman gave notice that he would on Monday

move to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 378 was laid on the table subject to call.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 27:

A concurrent resolution relating to interstate commerce.

Was taken up.

The resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Buckman offered the following amendment to House Concurrent Resolution No. 27:

Insert after the word "Whereas," first line of preamble, the words "if is to the interest of the people of Florida."

Mr. Buckman moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Buckman offered the following amendment to House Concurrent Resolution No. 27:

Strike out all the words after "Florida," in third line, to word "for," in fifth line of preamble, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "should establish carload rates."

Mr. Buckman moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Upon the call of the roll the vote upon the question of adoption of the resolution as amended was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Buckman, Canova, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Johnson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Trammell, Willis, Withers, West (4th), Zim—25.

Nays—None.

So the resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Beard moved that House Bill No. 80 be made a special order for Tuesday at 10 o'clock a. m.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Withers moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate take up Bills on Third Reading.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Withers moved that House Bill No. 116 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 116:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of J. R. Eaker

of Leesburg, Lake County, Florida, for the loss of horses and mules ordered killed by Chas. F. Dawson, veterinarian of the University of Florida.

Was taken up and read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Pending roll call—

Mr. Johnson moved that House Bill No. 116 be placed back on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading for the purpose of amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 116 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Canova, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Willis, Withers, West (4th), Zim—26.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Sams moved that Senate Bill No. 358 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was not agreed to.

House Bill No. 79:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring railroad companies and other common carriers to furnish separate accommodations for the separation of white and colored passengers on railroads, and conferring certain powers on the Railroad Commissioners of the State of Florida in relation thereto.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Pending a call of the roll, Mr. Beard moved that House Bill No. 79 be placed back on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading for amendments.

Mr. Baker offered a substitute for Mr. Beard's motion, that House Bill No. 79 be laid on the table subject to call on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Which was agreed to.

House Bill No. 110:

A bill to be entitled an act to protect loggerhead and green turtles on the coasts of Florida.

Was taken up and read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 110 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Canova, Clarke, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Willis, Withers, West (4th District), Zim—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 183:

A bill to be entitled an act concerning the payment of certification of forged checks and the liabilities of banks and others therefor.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Mr. Beard moved that Senate Bill No. 183 be made a special order for Monday at 4:30 p. m., and that 200 copies be printed.

Which was agreed to.

The President in the chair.

ON TABLE SUBJECT TO CALL.

By Mr. Hudson, for committee—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 16:

Relative to further procedure in the investigation into the Internal Improvement Fund.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Upon the question of adoption of the resolution, upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Canova, Clarke, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Henderson, Hudson, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Trammell, Willis, Withers, West (4th District), Zim—24.

Nays—None.

Mr. Buckman asked to be excused from voting on adop-

tion of the resolution, from the fact that he was chairman of the committee.

So the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Beard moved that Senate Bill No. 124 be made a special order for Wednesday at 4 o'clock p. m.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Clarke moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock Monday morning.

Mr. Massey moved to amend that the Senate adjourn to 3:30 this afternoon.

Under the rule—

The Chair put the motion of Mr. Clarke to adjourn until 10 o'clock Monday morning.

Upon which a ye and nay vote was demanded.

Upon call of the roll the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Canova, Clarke, Henderson, Humphries, Johnson, Leggett, McCreary, Sams, Withers—15.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Hudson, Massey, Trammell, Willis, West (4th), Zim—13.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until Monday at 10 o'clock, May 20, 1907.

MESSAGES IN RESPONSE TO SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 48.

State of Florida,

Executive Office,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 17, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,

President of the Senate,

Tallahassee, Florida.

Sir:

Pursuant to Senate Resolution No. 48, calling for a detailed and itemized list of the names of employees in each of the State Departments, the duties of each and the salary paid to each, I have the honor to advise that immediately upon receipt of a copy of the said resolution, I

called upon each of the eleven departments for the information called for, so far as related to each, and giving a copy of the resolution.

Owing to the great press of work in all the departments just at this time, some of the responses were a little tardy in coming in. All these responses are hereto attached and made a part of this report.

The employees of the Executive Office are as follows:

Daniel A. Simmons is Private Secretary. His duties as Private Secretary are: Attending to all the office correspondence not necessary to be personally attended to by the Governor, receiving visitors to the Executive Office, bearing the Governor's messages to the Legislature, taking charge of bills that have passed both houses, presenting them to the Governor for his signature and transmitting them to the Secretary of State, keeping the office supplies of stationery and blanks replenished, and performing such other duties about the office as the Governor may direct. As Private Secretary he receives a salary of twelve hundred dollars per annum, provided by the biennial appropriation bill. The Private Secretary is also Secretary to the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, in which capacity it is his duty to keep all the minutes of this Board, including all transactions with and concerning the Hospital for the Insane, and to conduct all correspondence concerning all the State Institutions. Among the other duties of this position are the preparation and distribution of lists of all supplies needed for the use of the Hospital for the Insane, tabulating all bids to furnish said supplies, awarding contracts therefor upon such bids, after approval by the Board, and approving, under the direction of the Board, all bids for such supplies. For this service he receives an additional five hundred dollars per annum, payable from the hire of State convicts, all of whom are under the supervision of said Board.

Mrs. Arvah Hopkins is a stenographer and typewriter in the Executive Office. Her duties are those usually incident to such position, besides which she assists in keeping an elaborate system of files. Her salary is sixty dollars per month, payable from the regular appropriation.

Miss Elsie Douglas is clerk to the Governor. Her du-

ties are largely those of a stenographer and typewriter, and in addition to such duties, she also keeps a large series of files, and conducts the correspondence which must have the personal attention of the Governor. It was originally intended that the clerk should keep the files of the office, and perform other solely clerical duties, but the stenographic work long ago grew to such proportions that one stenographer could not handle it; so that the Governor's clerk is now really the Governor's stenographer. Miss Douglas receives a salary of sixty dollars per month, provided by regular appropriation.

Miss M. C. English is employed as a stenographer and typewriter in the Executive Office during the press of work incident to the present session of the Legislature, and is paid at the rate of sixty dollars per month from the Contingent Fund provided by the regular appropriation.

I hope that the information herein contained, supplemented by the reports of the heads of departments, hereto attached, will fully inform your honorable body upon all the points covered by the said resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

N. B. BROWARD,
Governor.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1907.

Hon. N. B. Broward,
Governor of Florida.

Sir:

In pursuance of your request, made under Senate Resolution No. 48, I have the honor to present the following report for transmission to the Senate.

The duties of this office are so varied and complex that it is difficult to convey an adequate conception of the scope and nature of the important financial transactions and the services that are performed by the various clerks employed. These are outlined as follows:

(1). All of the money appropriated from time to time by the Legislature is paid out by the State Treasurer on warrants drawn in this office and every account and voucher must be carefully examined and audited before a warrant can issue.

(2). The accounts of all officers handling State money are kept in this office and statements are rendered to the officials as well as the State Auditor from time to time.

(3). A copy of each of the assessment rolls made out by the Assessors of the different counties of the State each year are sent to this office and must be examined in each case before being filed.

(4). All Tax Collectors report their land sales here, and these also have to be examined and lists sent the Assessors of lands to be omitted from the assessment rolls.

(5). The supervision of State banks is an important branch of this office. All banks organized under the laws of this State must first secure a certificate of authority before commencing the business of banking. To do this the incorporators must satisfy the Comptroller that the law has been fully complied with and that the company has been formed for the legitimate purpose contemplated by the banking laws. The charter, affidavits of officers, oaths of directors, etc., must be recorded in each case. Each bank, banking company, or association organized under the laws of this State, whether general or special, is required to render reports to and is subject to examination by the Comptroller.

Reports are called for at such times as the Comptroller deems best in order that the conditions of the banks may be known to him. These reports, when received, have to be examined and attention is immediately called to anything that is unsatisfactory. The banks have been prompt in giving attention to these matters and the satisfactory condition of the banks at present, as well as the absence of failures, indicate the efficiency of the supervision.

(6). Railroad and telegraph assessments, involving nearly one-fifth of the taxable value of all property assessed in the State, are made in this office after the value has been fixed by the "Comptroller with the assistance and advice of the Attorney General and Treasurer of the State," and nearly all of the taxes so assessed are collected through this office and distributed to the State Treasurer and the different counties. There is a large number of sub-school district and separate assessments that have

to be made for each of these as well as for the counties, cities and incorporated towns.

(7). The number of pension warrants required to be issued has increased until it requires about 3,300 warrants each quarter, or 13,200 warrants each year, and in order that the worthy pensioners shall not be compelled to wait each quarter for the amount due, which is of great moment to them, it becomes necessary to utilize nearly the whole office force, in addition to the Pension Clerk, for about two weeks each quarter to examine and classify the vouchers, issue and enter the warrants and mail them to the proper address, which is frequently changed by the pensioners moving from place to place.

(8). The Tax Redemption Department is complicated in its nature and the thousands of details that go to make up the duties of this branch of the office can only be understood by a personal examination by one who is thoroughly conversant with the laws bearing on the subject and being an experienced accountant thoroughly acquainted with land matters. The receipts in this department, embracing thousands of small items, amount to about \$150,000.00 annually.

(9). All of the blanks used by the Tax Assessors and Collectors in assessing, collecting and selling land for unpaid taxes and those used by the Clerks of Circuit Courts in connection with the redemption and sale of tax certificates and payment of jurors and witnesses before the grand jury, are prepared and furnished from this office, as well as all compilations of laws, instructions, etc., for the use of county officials in the assessment and collection of taxes.

(10). The clerical force required to perform the numerous, responsible and delicate duties of this office must be above the average in ability and be careful and diligent in their application to the duties assigned, as there is more than sufficient for every clerk to keep him busy at all times. To facilitate the work the clerks are not limited to any particular branch, but are directed by me to do those things, which in my judgment from time to time is deemed best to facilitate the business of the office and avoid delay in attending to matters that would suffer by delay.

(11). The regular duties of the different clerks are as follows:

Chief Clerk—His duties require that he shall issue all warrants on the State Treasurer involving the expenditure of money, except for pensions; keep the various accounts, required to exhibit each item under the different heads of appropriations; prepare the record of warrants issued in regular order and enter the payment thereof when the warrants are paid and returned by the State Treasurer.

Bookkeeper—He is required to keep accounts with all officials and all other accounts pertaining to the receipt and expenditure of money, and his books must at all times show the financial condition of the State and the true condition of the accounts of all State and county officials so that he can render statements as required at stated periods and at other times when required.

Auditing Clerk—Audits accounts; makes out railroad and telegraph assessments when the valuations have been fixed by the Comptroller, Attorney General and Treasurer, and makes returns thereof to the counties, cities, towns and school sub-districts; and attends to all other matters pertaining to railroad and telegraph assessments.

Stenographer and Typewriter—Her duties are clearly indicated by the position she occupies, but the importance and magnitude of the work she is required to perform, in connection with the correspondence of the office, keeping up the files and copying papers, is such that it requires special ability, accuracy and speed as well as constant labor.

Pension Clerk—He is required to attend to all matters connected with the pensioners now on the roll; keep the accounts relating thereto, and, with the assistance that is given him at times by the clerical force of the office, issues and sends out quarterly a warrant to each of the pensioners, now numbering about 3,300.

Special Clerk—Is in charge of the Banking Department and attends to all matters relating to banks, banking companies or associations; sends out requests for reports; examines the same when received; calls attention to omissions or violations of law; examines applications by banking companies or associations for authority to do busi-

ness, and performs such other services as the duties of his employment by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund will permit.

Clerks in Tax Redemption Department—The duties performed by the several clerks in this department are outlined elsewhere in this report. The work is systematized and every effort is made to facilitate the labor.

NAMES OF CLERKS NOW EMPLOYED AND ANNUAL SALARIES.

W. C. Croom, Chief Clerk.....	\$ 1,500.00
G. E. McGriff, Bookkeeper	1,500.00
E. G. Chesley, Auditing Clerk.....	1,500.00
N. D. Mathis, Pension Clerk.....	1,200.00
Mary Lee Scott, Stenographer & Typewriter...	1,200.00
W. M. McIntosh, Jr., Special Clerk.....	500.00
Thos. C. Watts, Clerk Tax Redempt. Dept....	1,200.00
E. H. Myers, Clerk Tax Red. Dept. (Died May 3, 1907)	1,200.00
J. P. Cobb, Clerk Tax Redemption Dept.....	1,200.00
A. H. Williams, Clerk Tax Redemption Dept..	1,200.00
John Denham, Clerk Tax Redemption Dept....	1,200.00
Jefferson Bell, Clerk Tax Redemption Dept....	1,200.00

Very respectfully,

A. C. CROOM,
Comptroller.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1907.

To His Excellency, N. B. Broward,

Governor of Florida,

Tallahassee, Fla.

Sir:

In compliance with your letter of May 9th I have the honor to herewith submit the information requested:

Agricultural Department State of Florida, Division of Chemistry, R. E. Rose, State Chemist.

DUTIES OF STATE CHEMIST—BUREAU OF FERTILIZERS.

Section 2. "It shall be the duty of the State Chemist to analyze samples of fertilizers that may be offered

for sale in this State, and for this purpose he is authorized and directed to take or have taken by the Assistant State Chemist from any brand of fertilizers offered for sale in this State, from not less than ten original packages of said fertilizers which may be in the possession of any manufacturers, dealer or person using the same, two samples not to exceed one pound each in weight, one sample to be returned by the State Chemist and the other sample to be sent in a sealed bottle or can, to the Commissioner of Agriculture, who shall keep the same. And in case any manufacturer shall request another analysis, then the sample retained by the Commissioner of Agriculture, at the request of any manufacturer, shall be sent to any chemist to whom the Commissioner of Agriculture, State Chemist and manufacturer shall agree upon."

Sec. 9. "Any person purchasing any fertilizers from any manufacturer or vendor in this State for his own use, such person being a citizen of this State, may submit fair samples of said fertilizer to the Commissioner of Agriculture for analysis. But in order to protect the manufacturer or vendor from the submission of analysis of spurious samples, the person selecting the same shall do so in the presence of two or more disinterested persons, which sample shall be taken from one or more packages and bottled, corked and sealed in the presence of said witnesses, and this sample package or bottle placed in the hands of a disinterested person, who shall forward the same, at the expense of the purchaser, to the Commissioner of Agriculture when the person desires; and upon the receipt by him of any such sample package, the Commissioner of Agriculture is hereby authorized to require the State Chemist to analyze the same, and he shall return to such purchaser or purchasers a certificate or certificates of analysis. The certificate shall in all cases set forth the component parts of said fertilizer, with their respective qualities, date of analysis and name or names of persons submitting the samples, and to be signed by the State Chemist, who is hereby required to keep an accurate account of the same, and the said certificate or record, when verified by the affidavit of the State Chemist, shall be competent evidence in any court of law or equity of this State."

Chemist to Report to the Governor.—"The State Chemist

shall make quarterly reports to the Governor of the number of certificates rendered by him to the Commissioner of Agriculture." (Revised Statutes.)

Annual Reports to Governor.—"He shall also make a report of the operations of his office to the Governor of the State annually, giving the number of analyses made, the amount and proceeds of his office, said report to be presented to the Legislature at its biennial sessions in the same manner as the Auditors and State Treasurers reports are made." (Revised Statutes.)

"The State Chemist, upon application, shall furnish at any time to an applicant a full analysis of any brand of fertilizer required. Said analysis shall set forth the percentage of ammonia, potash soluble in water, of available and insoluble phosphoric acid, with the statement of the commercial value of each ingredient, which valuation shall be uniform and not above the real value of such ingredient."

DUTIES OF STATE CHEMIST—BUREAU OF FEED-STUFFS.

Section 1. "The State Chemist and his assistants shall be inspectors of commercial feeding stuffs; they shall be under the general direction and supervision of the Commissioner of Agriculture."

Sec. 2. "It shall be the duty of the State Chemist to analyze samples of commercial feeding stuffs that may be offered for sale in this State, and for this purpose he is authorized, and directed, to take or have taken by his assistants, from any brand of commercial feeding stuffs offered for sale in this State, which may be in the possession of any manufacturer, dealer or person using or offering for sale the same, samples not to exceed one pound each in weight. In case any manufacturer shall request another analysis, then the sample, at the request of any manufacturer, shall be sent to any chemist whom the Commissioner of Agriculture, State Chemist and manufacturers shall agree upon."

Sec. 12. "The State Chemist, upon application, shall furnish at any time to an applicant a full analysis of any sample of commercial feeding stuffs required. Said analysis shall set forth the percentage of fats, protein, starch and sugar, with a statement of the commercial

value of each ingredient, which valuation shall be uniform and not above the real value of such ingredient."

Compensation of State Chemist.—"The State Chemist shall receive a salary of two thousand (\$2,000.00) dollars per annum."

BUREAU OF FERTILIZERS.

Name—L. Heimburger, Assistant State Chemist.

Duty—The Assistant State Chemist is under the immediate direction of the State Chemist and it is his duty to do such analytical work or inspection as the State Chemist may direct.

Salary—The salary of the Assistant Chemist, Bureau of Fertilizers, is eighteen hundred (\$18,000.00) dollars per annum.

BUREAU OF FEEDSTUFFS.

Name—B. H. Bridges, Assistant State Chemist.

Duty—The Assistant State Chemist is under the immediate direction of the State Chemist and it is his duty to do such analytical work or inspection as the State Chemist may direct.

Salary—The salary of the Assistant Chemist, Bureau of Fertilizers, is eighteen hundred (\$1800.00) dollars annum.

INSPECTOR OF FEEDSTUFFS.

Name—J. Hampton Jones, Inspector of Feedstuffs.

Duty—The Inspector of Feedstuffs is under the immediate direction of the State Chemist and it is his duty to inspect the feedstuffs on sale in the State of Florida and to transmit samples of same for analysis by the State Chemist.

Salary—The salary of the Inspector of Feedstuffs is nine hundred (\$900.00) dollars per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. ROSE,

State Chemist.

per B. H. BRIDGES,

Assistant Chemist.

Tallahassee, May 9, 1907.

*To the Governor,
Capitol.*

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge your communication of this date directing my attention to Senate Resolution No. 48 and calling for the information desired from this department.

In reply, I beg to say, this department has but one employee. His name is J. W. Amos; his duties are keeping books containing accounts of certain county officials with the counties, rendering assistance in making up accounts, aiding in the correspondence of the department and general clerk; his compensation is \$100 per month.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST AMOS,
State Auditor.

Tallahassee, May 10, 1907.

*Hon. N. B. Broward,
Executive Office,
Tallahassee, Fla.*

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 9th, in which you request that I furnish you with an itemized statement of the name and occupation of each clerk in the department, together with a statement of the amount paid each, as requested by Senate Resolution No. 48, I beg to submit the following:

I have set out in my bi-ennial report a more full statement of the work of each clerk in this department, with the name of each, than I can well give in the scope of this reply.

There are six clerks in this department, engaged, named, and paid as follows:

J. C. Luning has charge of the prison work in all its phases and receives \$125.00 per month; paid by regular appropriation.

W. S. McLin has charge of the Fertilizer and Stock Feed Divisios and mails the bulletins fromETAQINNA tural division proper; paid \$100.00 per month by regular appropriation.

H. S. Elliott has charge of the Agricultural Branch proper, which covers all statistical work and the Bureau

of Information, which covers all inquiries for information concerning the State. To cover this work assistance is necessary from day to day by clerks that may have their work up in another branch. His salary is \$125.00 per month, paid by regular appropriation.

C. B. Gwynn is Chief Clerk in the Land Department, which covers a large field of technical knowledge of this work and receives \$150.00 per month, paid out of the funds arising from the sale of swamp and overflowed lands by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund.

John T. Costa is engaged in the Land Department. His special work is preparing and revising the Tract of Abstract books, drawing maps, etc. He is paid \$125.00, out of same funds as Mr. Gwynn, by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund.

O. M. Jacoby works in the land branch and assists Mr. Elliott in sending our information. He is paid \$100.00 per month by regular appropriation.

Four of the clerks do typewriting in their divisions and assist any division that may be behind when needed.

There is a clerk, J. M. Dell, in the United States Land Office at Gainesville, by permission of the Department at Washington, who is indirectly connected with the land office here, that does no work in this office. His business is to get up all perfected entries from said office for this office, which I transmit to the Comptroller to send out to the Tax Assessors with the list of State lands sold annually in this department. He further has been engaged in checking up all selected lands by the State that the United States has not patented and is checking by counties all sales and other conveyances by the United States Government and of vacant United States lands, to be used in correcting and perfecting the abstract or tract books referred to and to get information as requested from this office to meet the frequent demands made upon it.

When necessary for a Tax Assessor to have a list of United States lands, we can only get this information from the United States Land Office, as the State has nothing to do with United States land records. This work saves the State much expense that would be incurred if we had to pay the United States Land Office for the data we obtain through having a man in said office. This clerk is paid \$100.00 per month by the Trustees, as the greater

part of the work concerns matters pertaining to swamp lands in the State.

A visit to this office or a reference to my last report will give any further information not contained in this special report relative to the work in this office.

I have the honor to remain, with great respect.

Yours very truly,

B. E. M'LIN,
Commissioner of Agriculture.

Railroad Commission.

State of Florida.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1907.

Hon. Daniel A. Simmons,
Private Secretary,
Tallahassee, Fla.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your favor of the 9th inst., your File "A-11," in which you quote the following resolution:

"Senate Resolution No. 48:

"Resolved, That the Governor be and he is hereby requested to furnish to the Senate an itemized, detailed list of the several employees of the several State departments under their proper head, giving the name of each employee the duty of each employee, and the salary paid to each."

And advising that the Governor requests you to obtain the information requested by this resolution.

In compliance with this request, I beg to submit the following:

R. C. Dunn, Secretary to the Railroad Commission, whose duty it is to keep a record of the daily proceedings of the office of the Railroad Commission, to keep the accounts, files, and all records pertaining to the administration and affairs coming within the jurisdiction of the Commission, which includes a systematic arrangement of all rates made by or filed with the Commissioners, together with all contracts and agreements required by law to be filed in the office of the Railroad Commission; to keep a record of claims and complaints filed against the railroads, to assist in the correspondence of the office and

to compile from the records the necessary statistics for publication.

The salary of the Secretary, as now provided for by law, is \$1,200.00 per annum.

Beatrice N. Sinclair, stenographer and typewriter, compensation is \$75.00 per month.

Dorsey Thomas (colored), messenger and janitor, at compensation of \$20.00 per month.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Yours very truly,

R. HUDSON BURR,

Chairman.

Office of the Attorney General,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1907.

Mr. Daniel A. Simmons,

Secretary,

Tallahassee, Fla.

Dear Sir:

In obedience to your request of the 9th instant, asking for an itemized list of the employees of this office, giving the names and duties of each and the salary paid to each, as required to be furnished by the Governor under Senate Resolution No. 48, I beg leave to submit the following:

Mr. Worth W. Trammell has up until April 25th, 1907, been employed in the office of the Attorney General as Secretary, at a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum. Mr. Trammell put in his resignation as Secretary to the Attorney General, same having taken effect on the 25th of April, 1907.

The duties of the Secretary are to perform the clerical work of that department. He is required to typewrite briefs written by the Attorney General, in all criminal cases pending in the Supreme Court and in all civil cases in which the State is a party.

To keep a docket of all cases in which the State is a party and in which the Attorney General appears as counsel.

To typewrite all motions, pleadings or other paper writings which the Attorney General may desire to cause to be filed in any of the above cases.

To take in shorthand and typewrite all letters written from this office, which amount to more than twelve hundred per year.

To typewrite all opinions furnished by the Attorney General to the Governor and the officers of the executive department.

To take and preserve a copy of every document or other writing, including letters which leave this office, to make an index of the same as to person and subject matter.

To examine the reports of the State attorneys, prepare a table of crimes prosecuted in the State and result of same, for publication of same in the Attorney General's report.

To assist in reading the printer's proof of the published acts of the Legislature.

To index each of the journals of the two branches of the Legislature.

To assist the Attorney General in preparing marginal abstracts to the several sections and a general alphabetical index to the entire acts and resolutions of each session of the Legislature.

To assist in reading the printer's proof of the published decisions of the Supreme Court, which to secure accuracy requires two persons proficient in this line of work.

To preserve and keep in this office all official letters and communications to the Attorney General and to cause a registry and index thereof to be made and kept.

To attend to the incidental affairs of the office.

The work is often delayed and congested by the absence of the Attorney General while in attendance upon the following named boards: Commissioners of State Institutions, State Board of Education, Internal Improvement Fund, Board of Pardons, State Canvassing Board, Board of Pensions, Railroad Assessments, State Reform School and Insurance Commissioners, of each of which he is a member, and a large percentage of his time is consumed in the consideration of matters pertaining to the affairs which the above named boards have in charge.

The work of the Secretary is heavy and demands a high degree of accuracy; this is particularly true in regard to proof reading, which requires accuracy to the highest degree and two persons are necessary to secure it. The proof has to be read twice in full and the corrections are then read until all errors are eliminated. It is necessary that the Secretary or Clerk should be thoroughly proficient as a stenographer and typewriter.

Mr. C. D. Robertson has been employed at a salary of nine hundred dollars per annum. It has been his duty to

assist the Secretary in performing the clerical duties of the office as enumerated above, many of which tasks are impossible to accomplish without the aid of an assistant.

No one has been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Trammell as Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. ELLIS,
Attorney General.

Educational Department, State of Florida.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1907.

To His Excellency N. B. Broward, Governor,

Tallahassee, Florida.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 9th instant, enclosing Senate Resolution No. 48, which reads as follows: "Resolved, that the Governor be and he is hereby requested to furnish to the Senate an itemized, detailed list of the several employees of the several departments under their proper head, giving the name of each employee, the duty of each employee, and the salary paid to each."

In compliance with the request contained in the above resolution, I beg leave to say that the regular employees of this office are M. C. McIntosh, Chief Clerk, with a salary of \$1,200 per annum; Miss Clem Hampton, Assistant Chief Clerk, with a salary of \$1,200 per annum, and Miss E. Maude Marion, stenographer and typewriter, with a salary of \$600 per annum.

The duties of the stenographer and typewriter are such as are required of any person occupying this position. The duties of the Chief Clerk and the Assistant Chief Clerk are as follows: To assist in the compilation of the school laws to be distributed among the County Superintendents of Public Instruction, Members of the Boards and other school officials. To assist in the compilation and distribution of official directories and bi-ennial reports.

To assist in the preparation of blank forms for use by the State Department of Public Instruction, and for the use of the County Superintendents of Public Instruction and other school officials.

To assist in the verification of the annual reports from

County Superintendents; in the compilation of the statistical tables therefrom for the biennial report; to examine applications for State aid for High and Rural Graded Schools; to draft requisitions for the amounts due each school in accordance with the same; to examine applications for State aid for schools making an average attendance of 80 per cent; and to draft requisition for amounts due each school in accordance with the same; to keep a correct record of the acts of the State Board of Education and of the joint meetings of the State Board of Education and the Board of Control; to examine bills incurred under the act making an appropriation for Teachers' Summer Training Schools and to make requisition in accordance with the same; to examine bills incurred under the appropriation for postage, printing and contingent expenses of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

To assist in preparing examination questions for the June and September examinations; to read proof on county examination questions; to enclose in separate envelopes papers on each subject; to seal and properly label the same; to enclose in separate envelopes examination questions for whites and negroes respectively, and to express sealed packages to the County Superintendents,

To assist in preparing examination questions for State, Primary and Special examinations held at the close of the Teachers' Summer Training Schools and the Florida Educational Association, and at other times upon request.

To assist in holding State, Primary and Special examinations. To assist in grading the papers of applicants for State, Primary and Special certificates.

To assist in the apportionment and distribution of the one mill tax and the interest on the State School Fund.

To assist in the preparation of programs for Arbor Day and in the distribution of the same throughout the State.

To assist in the preparation of programs for the State convention of County Superintendents and other school officials.

To assist in the preparation and distribution of educational circulars throughout the State; to conduct the daily correspondence of the office in the absence of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction when inspecting the schools of the State, or when attending to other official duties requiring his absence.

To render needful assistance in the disposition of the numerous other matters of business incident to the office.

Yours very truly,

WM. M. HOLLOWAY,
State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Military Department, State of Florida.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1907.

*Hon. Napoleon B. Broward,
Governor of Florida,
Tallahassee, Fla.*

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 9th instant, requesting certain information asked for under Senate Resolution No. 48, I have the honor to submit the following:

EMPLOYEES IN ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.

Miss Julia C. Herring, stenographer; pay, \$60.00 per month.

Mr. William Dudley, clerk; pay \$60.00 per month.

The duties of the latter are so varied that it is almost impossible to enumerate them. He is engaged in auditing and adjusting property and money accounts of all accountable officers in the State service; in preparing and forwarding survey proceedings; in examining and correcting other stated reports, such as drill reports, regimental, battalion and company returns, muster rolls, reports of target practice, etc., in recording enlistments, discharges, and other military papers; in packing, issuing and invoicing public stores. He also assists in the preparation of various reports required by the Federal Government of the State Military Department, and in the preparation of the stated accounts for United States property—besides performing many other details of clerical duty.

Very respectfully,
J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General.

Office of the Secretary of State,
State of Florida,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1907.

Hon. N. B. Broward,
Governor,

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication requesting information as to number of employees, salary paid to each, etc., in my office, as called for by Senate Resolution No. 48. I have three employees, as follows:

Mr. John F. Dorman, of Suwannee County, whose salary is \$1,500.00 per annum.

Mr. S. E. Cobb, of Madison County, whose salary is \$1,200.00 per annum.

Miss Bessie Taylor, of Leon County, whose salary is \$600.00 per annum.

As an office of record, the duties are so manifold and complex that it is difficult to enumerate them. Mr. Dorman has particular charge of sending out notices of appointment by the Governor, notices of election to all State and County officers elected, the writing and recording of commissions, filing bonds of officers, and keeping a directory of all State and County officers.

Mr. Cobb keeps all accounts of the office, all money received and paid into the State Treasury from corporations and sale of books, as well as an account of all expenditures for lights, water, fuel and repairs of the Capitol and grounds, etc., issuing and recording of automobile and chauffeur licenses, etc.

Miss Bessie Taylor is my stenographer, and when not so engaged does recording.

The great volume of work in this office, after each session of the Legislature, in preparing copies of laws and resolutions for the printer, and reading proof of same, and in sending out notices of election, with necessary blanks to qualify, to every officer elected in the State, after each general election, and at other times, and at all times of unusually heavy work in my office it is necessary for my two clerks, my stenographer and myself to do one class of work. I use my force interchangeably, as the best interests of the office may be served, doing clerical

work myself. The greatly increased, and increasing, duties of this office require the services of three clerks.

In addition to performing the duties of this office, as prescribed by law, I am, and have been for the past two years, at intervals when I could give a little time to it, preparing an abstract of the old records of this office relating to officers, delegates in Congress, and all Governors of the Territory of Florida, and every officer who has held a commission, Federal, State and County, including members of the Legislatures of this State since Florida was admitted into the Union. The said abstract will also give the date of the creation of the several counties, with annotations of all changes in the county boundary lines thereafter of this State, and, when completed, will be a valuable record for ready reference in this office.

Very respectfully,

H. CLAY CRAWFORD,
Secretary of State.

State of Florida,
Office of State Treasurer,
Tallahassee, May 10, 1907.

Hon. N. B. Broward,
Governor of Florida,
Tallahassee, Fla.

Sir:

In response to your favor of 9th instant, advising me of the resolution adopted by the Senate, as follows:

"Senate Resolution No. 48:

"Resolved, That the Governor be and he is hereby requested to furnish to the Senate an itemized, detailed list of the several employees of the several State departments under their proper head, giving the name of each employee, the duty of each employee, and the salary paid to each."

It gives me pleasure to report as follows:

The employees of this office are—

Mr. Charles Munroe, Chief Clerk and Bookkeeper, at salary of \$1,500.00 per annum.

Mr. Edwin Barnes, Cashier and Assistant Bookkeeper, at salary of \$1,200.00 per annum.

Mr. G. T. Whitfield, Clerk and Assistant Bookkeeper, at salary of \$1,200 per annum.

To a very considerable extent, the work of the three clerks is upon one general line. Between them, under the supervision of the Treasurer, they do all the bookkeeping of the office, following a well approved system which preserves on the records of the office a complete detailed history of every single transaction in any of the funds, be the item so small or large.

There are now open on the books of the office twenty-two (22) funds provided for by law, each of which has to be handled and applied strictly as the law directs. These funds are:

- General Revenue Fund.
- One Mill School Fund.
- Pension Tax Fund.
- State Board of Health Fund.
- Principal of School Fund.
- Interest of School Fund.
- Principal of Seminary Fund.
- Hire of State Convicts Fund.
- Indian War Claims Fund.
- Drainage Tax Fund.
- Agricultural College Fund.
- White College Morrill Fund.
- Colored College Morrill Fund.
- Hatch Experiment Station Fund.
- Adams Experiment Station Fund.
- Interest of Seminary Fund.
- Proceeds of College Property Fund.
- Florida Female College Incidental Fund.
- Blind, Deaf and Dumb Incidental Fund.
- Colored Normal School Contingent Fund.
- Experiment Station Incidental Fund.
- University of Florida Incidental Fund.

It is the duty of the clerks in this office to handle accurately and promptly each item of receipts and disbursements in each of the said funds. To perfect the system and preserve the history of each transaction for future reference, as well as for current accounting, several different entries must be made of each item, both of receipts and disbursements. The work requires absolute accuracy, demanding much care and skill.

On the receipts side, upon receipt of remittances, it is

necessary to see that the moneys remitted are in proper amount and are correctly apportioned to the respective funds, and the proper entries made upon the several prescribed books. Receipts for same are issued and signed by the Treasurer and filed with the Comptroller, whose receipts are taken in exchange, and, after verification, such Comptroller's receipts are mailed to the parties remitting. During the year 1906, 4,626 separate items of receipts were handled as here indicated.

A large proportion of the remittances, covering amounts to be paid into the Treasury are made by checks or drafts or other bankable paper. It is the duty of the clerks in the office to see that all checks thus received are in proper amount and are properly drawn or endorsed, and to forward all such checks through the prescribed channels for collection, first making, for preservation on the records of the office, for the purpose of identification, a history of each of such checks or drafts, with full records of the forwarding of same for collection and result thereof.

Disbursements from the Treasury are made upon Comptroller's warrants, as provided by law; and it is the duty of the clerks of this office to see carefully that each of said warrants, before acceptance, is in proper shape, as to signature, endorsements, etc.; to pay same, and then to punch, stamp and enter each warrant on the proper books of this office, placing on such records all essential facts relative to each of said warrants so as to make a complete history of each disbursement transaction.

No little labor and time of the office clerks is devoted to the matter of disbursing funds for the payment of jurors and witnesses before the grand juries in the several counties. The law provides for the moneys for this purpose to be advanced by the Treasurer on requisitions of the clerks, approved by the Comptroller. As the requisitions come in from the various clerks of the circuit, criminal and county courts throughout the State, the remittances are sent out from this office, in the shape of checks by mail or currency by express, according to the convenience of the several clerks, the requisitions approved by the Comptroller being held until final settlement of said clerk with the Comptroller, when the requisitions are surrendered by the Treasurer in exchange for Comptroller's warrants.

During the year 1906 over 18,000 Comptroller's warrants were received and paid at this office, and proper entries were made on the several books of the office relative to each of same.

Under Chapter 4586, Acts of 1897, most of the moneys belonging to the Treasury are kept deposited in a number of banks in different sections of the State, upon deposit with the Treasurer by such banks of proper securities as collateral, as specified by said act. For the convenience both of persons having business dealings with this office and of the Treasurer, many of the Comptroller's warrants are taken up and cashed by several of these banks and forwarded to this office for payment. On the other hand, checks received here to cover payments into the Treasury are collected through the agency to these banks. Full records of each and every transaction with each bank is kept by the clerks in this office, and it is their duty to see that each of such bank accounts shall each day be accurately kept. Also, to see that interest on the State's deposits are promptly and fully paid by each of said banks of deposit quarterly. To secure such deposits, the Treasurer has the custody of over five hundred thousand dollars of securities, approved by the Governor and Comptroller. Most of this collateral consists of coupon bonds, from which coupons are clipped and forwarded to the banks upon request from time to time as the coupons mature. To this work the clerks have to devote great care and much time.

The State Treasurer has the custody of about thirteen hundred thousand dollars of bonds belonging to the State School Fund, the Agricultural College Fund and the Seminary Fund, many of which are coupon bonds, from which the coupons have to be clipped and collected as they mature, and proper entries made on the books relative to each such transaction. This work devolves upon the clerks in the office, and requires much care and attention.

In this office all of the clerical work pertaining to the licensing and supervision of insurance and surety companies authorized to transact business in Florida is done. This work, involving the examination of every financial statement and other documents required by law, submitted by the companies operating in the State, as well as the issuing of approximately 3,500 licenses annually, be-

sides the transfer of licenses when requested and proper, the keeping of complete and systematic book records of all agents, companies and licenses, and the very voluminous correspondence with the companies, agents and interested citizens, makes a heavy demand upon, and at certain periods practically monopolizes the time of one clerk, besides requiring much personal attention from the Treasurer.

Through the insurance branch of the office work, the Treasurer last year collected and paid into the general revenue fund \$113,809.56 as license and premium taxes from the companies.

As is well known, a considerable part of one clerk's time in the Treasurer's office is necessarily consumed at the cash window and waiting upon persons necessarily having business with the office. The time consumed in this alone would be equivalent to that of a teller in an ordinary bank.

As to the correspondence of the office, it is obvious from what has preceded, that it is of large volume. Effort is made by myself and the clerks to have this correspondence kept up and conducted in a prompt and thoroughly business-like manner. It may be pointed out that the correspondence of this office, dealing largely with items of money and figures, requires absolute accuracy, just as is required in all the work of this office. I am able to state that errors are very seldom made.

The duties of this office in connection with the sale of fertilizer and feedstuff inspection stamps, with the receipt of taxes on commissions, charters, etc., and the preparation of monthly and detailed annual reports to the Governor, are clearly defined by statutes, and these duties are promptly and accurately discharged by the clerks of this office.

Some idea of the volume of the money business annually passing through this office, which has to be handled by the clerks, may be gained from the following figures applicable to this business for the year 1906:

On January 1, 1906, the aggregate of the balances in all of the funds was \$401,940.85. The aggregate of receipts in all the funds during 1906 was \$1,830,166.14. The aggregate disbursements from all the funds during 1906 was

\$1,720,819.91. The aggregate of balances in the Treasury to the credit of all the funds at the close of business December 31, 1906, was \$511,287.08. Besides this, the care of the half million dollars of bonds belonging to banks and held here as collateral to secure deposits of State moneys in the banks and the million and a quarter dollars of bonds belonging to the education funds requires great care, skill and responsibility. The risks incurred in handling these large funds are very great, and none but the most attentive and competent persons can be acceptably employed in handling these large and varied properties of the State. The qualifications required, the responsibilities imposed and the risks assumed by the persons employed in this valuable and important public service should be properly compensated.

In conclusion, I desire to state that while each clerk has his own portion of the work of the office to discharge, there is no sharp and unvarying rule of division. The clerks all know what work is pending each day, and between them they dispose of it. When one is crowded, the others help him out, and none of them quit any day until the work of the day is completed. So, while it might be said in a general way that Mr. Munroe is the principal bookkeeper; that Mr. Barnes, more than any other, handles the cash; and that Mr. Whitfield handles the correspondence and insurance matters, yet such classification would give only a very inaccurate idea of the manner in which the work of the office is conducted. Each man disposes of the matters coming to his own desk, and helps out wherever he is needed.

If a statement more in detail than this is desired, many duties which require the careful attention of the clerks in this office almost daily might be enumerated. It will be a pleasure at any time to furnish verbal or written explanations of all such matters.

Very respectfully,

W. V. KNOTT,
State Treasurer.